I. *A Letter from Mr.* David Martineau *Surgeon in* Norwich, *to Sir* Hans Sloane, *Bart.* Coll. Med. Lond. Pr. S. R. V. Pr. *Concerning Stones voided* per Anum.

Norwich, Oct. 5th 1723.

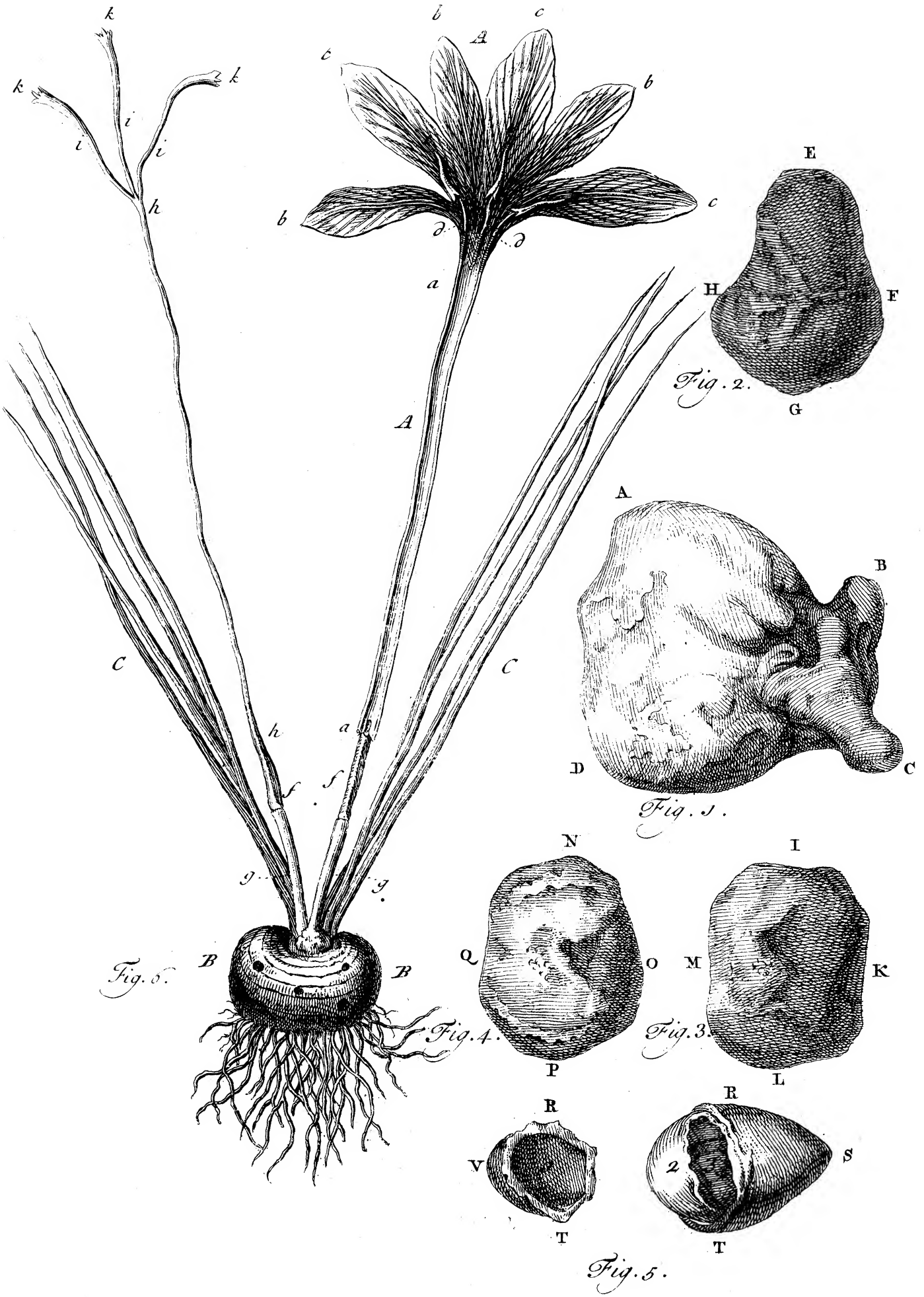
THESE Stones (*Vid. Fig.* 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.) were voided by a poor Woman, *per Anum*, on the 26, 27, and 28th of *March* laſt paſt, who was then pregnant about the 11, or 12th Week, according to Computation. I was call'd in the Night to this poor Woman on the 23d, who in Appearance was in the Extremity of a Convulſion Fit, attended with violent Vomitings, which when over, ſhe complain'd of great Pain in her Back, from her Reins downward to the *Anus*, upon which I blooded her, order'd ſome *Anti-Emeticks*, and left her: She continued with much Pain the whole Day; on the 24th, in the Night, her Fits return'd again with double Force, her Pains alſo increaſing like unto Labour-Pains, put me upon further Inquiry, but nothing appear'd more than ordinary; the Extremity of Pain drove me to the Uſe of Glyſters, which was attempted, but none could be thrown up, although repeated by one and another of the moſt experienced Nurſes, upon which I gave her a gentle Draught, which ſhe obſerved increas'd her Pain with a ſtrong *Teneſmus*, that continued near three Hours before the largeſt Stone appear'd, which ſtopp'd at the upper Part A, D, *Fig.* 1. but was quickly remov'd by preſſing the lower Protuberance C, upon which, with a plentiful Diſcharge, ſhe had

Eaſe, ſlept ſome Hours, waking with a Deſire to ſtool, and voided with it the 2d and 3d; and the next Day, at four Hours Diſtance, the other two. She recovered perfectly, and was deliver'd of a very fine living Girl, on the 24th of *Auguſt* paſt. Upon Inquiry, it ſeems, ſhe had been frequently troubled, for fourteen Years paſt, with Pains in her Side and Stomach without Vomitings; which is all ſhe remembers.

The Largeneſs of the Stones, their Seat and Subſtance, is what to me ſeems worthy Speculation; their being all alike in Colour and Weight, according to their Dimenſions, is the Reaſon I broke but one.

Wt. of the Stones.	*oz.*	*dwts.*	*gr.*	Their Dimenſions in Circumference.	*Inch.*			*Inch.*
Fig. 1.	2	16	12	A. B. C. D.	8	A. D. the top of the Stone oval.	6	$\frac{5}{8}$
Fig. 2.		8	12	E. F. G. H.	5	$\frac{1}{8}$ E. G.	4	$\frac{5}{8}$
Fig. 3.		7	3	I. K. L. M.	5	I. L.	3	$\frac{5}{8}$
Fig. 4.		7	12	N. O. P. Q.	4	$\frac{6}{8}$ N. P.	3	$\frac{7}{8}$
Fig. 5.		5	13	R. S. T. U.	4	$\frac{3}{8}$ R. T.	4	$\frac{1}{8}$

1. A Shell taken of the Stone at the End 2. The Stone and Shell being like a Cheſnut ſoft and like Wool, cutting into the Stone at 3, I found it hard.



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